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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2011-695

**Introducer/Sponsor:** Council President at the Request of the Mayor

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** TEU; F

**Date of Analysis:** November 10, 2011

**Type of Action:** Appropriation

**Bill Summary:** This bill appropriates \$1,000,000 (\$593,956 from Nuisance Abatement Assessment, \$61,373 from Interest Sanitary Assessment, \$138,528 from Demolition Assessment, and \$206,143 from Code Violation Fines) to the Nuisance Abatement Lien Special Revenue Fund. Provision is made for the carryover of appropriated funds into the 2012-2013 fiscal year.

**Background Information:** This is being done pursuant to Ordinance 2007-286-E and will provide for City-wide nuisance abatement contracting. The Nuisance Abatement Lien Special Revenue Fund supplements general revenue funding for nuisance abatement contractual services.

**Policy Impact Area:** Nuisance Abatement

**Fiscal Impact:** Undetermined; \$1,000,000 is appropriated by this ordinance

**Analyst:** Campbell

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2011-696

**Introducer/Sponsor:** Council President Pursuant to Chapter 380, Ordinance Code

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** TEU

**Date of Analysis:** November 10, 2011

**Type of Action:** Grant of CON

**Bill Summary:** This bill grants an initial Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Bio-Haz Solutions, Inc., to operate a Biomedical Waste Transport Facility at 2980 Faye Road, subject to conditions.

**Background Information:** The Solid Waste Division supports approval of the application, provided the applicant agrees to accept and comply with certain operating conditions relative to entrance signage, authorized materials, facility capacity, compliance, personnel training, site security, performance bond, monthly reports, host fees, storage, sanitary conditions, hours of operation, access to facility and records, odors, spill control, emergency management plan, scales, noise control, litter control, wastewater and sewage disposal and treatment, permits, emissions, accuracy of information, and terms of certificate. The CON is to be valid for a period of five years. Information on file states that the quantity of biomedical waste generated in Duval County is estimated at 3,000 tons per year.

**Policy Impact Area:** Solid Waste-Biomedical Waste; Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity

**Fiscal Impact:** Undetermined

**Analyst:** Campbell

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2011-697

**Introducer/Sponsor:** Land Use and Zoning Committee

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** LUZ

**Date of Analysis:** November 10, 2011

**Type of Action:** Development Agreement Approval

**Bill Summary:** This bill approves a development agreement with Dames Point Holdings, Inc., authorizing the Mayor and Corporation Secretary to execute said agreement.

**Background Information:** The proposed agreement is for a development to be known as Dames Point Marina, consisting of approximately 2.58 acres at the north terminus of Irving Road. Plans are for eight residential condominiums (6,800 enclosed square feet) and a marina with 34 wet slips, 80 dry storage slips, and ancillary marina uses (27,100 enclosed square feet of marina uses), for a combined total of 33,900 enclosed square feet of uses, subject to a performance schedule and payment of an annual renewal fee for reservation of traffic circulation capacity.

**Policy Impact Area:** Planning and Development

**Fiscal Impact:** Undetermined

**Analyst:** Campbell

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2011-698

**Introducer/Sponsor:** Land Use and Zoning Committee

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** LUZ

**Date of Analysis:** November 10, 2011

**Type of Action:** Development Agreement Approval

**Bill Summary:** This bill approves a development agreement with Orifice Land Development Corporation, authorizing the Mayor and Corporation Secretary to execute said agreement.

**Background Information:** The proposed agreement is for a development to be known as Villas at Ranch Road, consisting of approximately 39.255 acres on Owens Road between Ranch Road and Interstate 95. Plans are for a maximum of 133 apartments, subject to a performance schedule and payment of an annual renewal fee for the reservation of traffic circulation capacity.

**Policy Impact Area:** Planning and Development

**Fiscal Impact:** Undetermined

**Analyst:** Campbell

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2011-699

**Introducer/Sponsor:** Land Use and Zoning Committee

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** LUZ

**Date of Analysis:** November 10, 2011

**Type of Action:** Development Agreement Approval

**Bill Summary:** This bill approves a development agreement with Eden Marsh Development, LLC, authorizing the Mayor and Corporation Secretary to execute said agreement.

**Background Information:** The proposed agreement is for a development to be known as Eden Marsh, consisting of approximately 9.96 acres on Edenfield Road between Boat Club Drive and Whispering Inlet Drive. Plans are for 180 residential condominium units and a supporting private marina, subject to a performance schedule and payment of an annual renewal fee for the reservation of traffic circulation capacity.

**Policy Impact Area:** Planning and Development

**Fiscal Impact:** Undetermined

**Analyst:** Campbell

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2011-700

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council President at the request of the Mayor and co-introduced by Council Members Anderson, Gulliford and Jones

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** TEU, F, RCDPHS

**Date of Analysis:** November 10, 2011

**Type of Action:** Approval of second amendment to MPS parking garages operating agreement

**Bill Summary:** The bill approves a second amendment to the agreement among the City, the JEDC and Metropolitan Parking Solutions, LLC (MPS) for construction and operation of two parking garages on A. Philip Randolph Boulevard at the City's sports complex and one garage on Adams Street adjacent to the new county courthouse site. The amended agreement extends the initial purchase notification deadline from December 31, 2011 to December 31, 2013. It also reduces MPS's guaranteed rate of return on its invested capital from 8% to 6.75% per year.

**Background Information:** The City and JEDC entered into a development agreement with MPS in 2004 and the agreement was amended once in 2005. The City conveyed 3 parcels of property to MPS at \$1 each upon which MPS built and operates the parking garages with City financial assistance. MPS invested \$3 million in private equity and is currently guaranteed an annual return of 8% on that equity. The City provides semi-annual loans to the garages to subsidize their operation until they become profitable. When cash flow turns positive, the City loans will be repaid with 2.85% interest. The City currently has an option to purchase the garages by giving MPS notice before December 31, 2011, at a price to be calculated based on MPS's outstanding debt on the garages and the amount of City loan payments made to date. The amendment would reduce the guaranteed return on MPS's equity from 8% to 6.75% per year and would extend the purchase notification deadline for an additional 2 years.

**Policy Impact Area:** Downtown parking operations

**Fiscal Impact:** Undetermined. The 2-year extension will give all parties the opportunity to see what the financial performance of the courthouse garage will be actually be once the new courthouse opens for use in May 2012.

**Analyst:** Clements

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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2011-702

**Sponsor:** Council President Joost

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** R

**Date of Analysis:** November 3, 2011

**Type of Action:** Appointment

**Bill Summary:** This bill appoints William N. Kluessner to the Jacksonville Health Facilities Authority, replacing former member Rima Patel, for an unexpired term ending December 15, 2013.

**Background Information:** The Jacksonville Health Facilities Authority is established pursuant to Chapter 490, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to assist health facilities in the acquisition, construction, financing, and refinancing of projects. Section 490.106, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the members of the board are appointed by the Council.

Mr. Kluessner received a master's degree in business administration from the University of North Florida and is retired with 40 years of finance and accounting experience. He resides in the Golden Glades/The Woods area within Council District #3.

**Policy Impact Area:** Jacksonville Health Facilities Authority operations

**Fiscal Impact:** Anticipated to be minimal

**Analyst:** Welsh

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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2011-703

**Sponsor:** Council President Joost

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** R

**Date of Analysis:** November 3, 2011

**Type of Action:** Appointment

**Bill Summary:** This bill appoints David Kaufman to the Northeast Florida Regional Transportation Study Commission, replacing Eric Green.

**Background Information:** The Northeast Florida Regional Transportation Study Commission was established by Chapter 2010-212, *Laws of Florida*, and charged to prepare and submit to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, by December 31, 2012, a report detailing its finding and making specific legislative recommendations, including a regional transportation elements plan, the defining characteristics of transportation elements of regional significance and an implementation plan for undertaking a regional transportation elements plan, and which may include the establishment of the regional transportation authority, draft legislation consistent with the section, and any other recommendations it deems appropriate.

The membership of the commission includes four citizens of Duval County appointed by the City Council of the City of Jacksonville. The members of the commission shall serve until the work of the commission is completed and the commission is terminated.

Mr. Kaufman received a master's degree in urban and regional planning from Florida State University and is a Senior Director of Planning and Properties with the *Jacksonville Port Authority*. He resides in the Del Rio area within Council District #6.

**Policy Impact Area:** Northeast Florida Regional Transportation

**Fiscal Impact:** Anticipated to be minimal

**Analyst:** Welsh



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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2011-704

**Sponsor:** Council President Joost

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** R

**Date of Analysis:** November 3, 2011

**Type of Action:** Appointment

**Bill Summary:** This bill appoints John D. "Jack" Webb to the Northeast Florida Regional Transportation Study Commission, replacing Peter Kelley.

**Background Information:** The Northeast Florida Regional Transportation Study Commission was established by Chapter 2010-212, *Laws of Florida*, and charged to prepare and submit to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, by December 31, 2012, a report detailing its finding and making specific legislative recommendations, including a regional transportation elements plan, the defining characteristics of transportation elements of regional significance and an implementation plan for undertaking a regional transportation elements plan, and which may include the establishment of the regional transportation authority, draft legislation consistent with the section, and any other recommendations it deems appropriate.

The membership of the commission includes four citizens of Duval County appointed by the City Council of the City of Jacksonville. The members of the commission shall serve until the work of the commission is completed and the commission is terminated.

Former Council Member Webb received a law degree from the University of Florida and is a Partner with *Brennan, Manna & Diamond, LLC*. During his term on the City Council (2007-2011), Mr. Webb served as President for the 2010-2011 Council year and was the JTA liaison for three-years. He resides in the Julington Creek area within Council District #6.

**Policy Impact Area:** Northeast Florida Regional Transportation

**Fiscal Impact:** Anticipated to be minimal

**Analyst:** Welsh

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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2011-705

**Sponsor:** Council President Joost

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** R

**Date of Analysis:** November 3, 2011

**Type of Action:** Appointment

**Bill Summary:** This bill appoints Joseph A. Bastian to the Enterprise Zone Development Agency Board, replacing Dolly Sedwick, for a term beginning January 1, 2012, and ending December 31, 2015.

**Background Information:** The Enterprise Zone Development Agency Board is established pursuant to Chapter 501, *Ordinance Code*, and Section 290.0056, *Florida Statutes*, and charged to assist in the development and implementation of the strategic plan; oversee and monitor the implementation of the strategic plan and make quarterly reports to Council; identify and recommend to Council ways to remove regulatory barriers; identify to Council the financial needs of, and local resources or assistance available to, eligible business in the zone; and manage the implementation of the Empowerment Zone Strategic Plan. Section 501.105, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the members of the board shall be appointed by the Council.

Mr. Bastian received a bachelor's degree from Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University and is a Marketing Director with *RL Campbell Management Services, Inc.*, a construction management firm. He has previously served on The Jacksonville Journey: Positive Youth Development Subcommittee. Mr. Bastian resides in the Downtown area within Council District #4.

**Policy Impact Area:** Enterprise Zone Development Agency Board Operations

**Fiscal Impact:** Anticipated to be minimal

**Analyst:** Welsh

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2011-706

**Sponsor:** Council Member Holt:

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** R; TEU

**Date of Analysis:** November 11, 2011

**Type of Action:** State Legislation Endorsement

**Bill Summary:** This resolution supports passage of Florida House Bill 289 and Senate Bill 500 designating a portion of State Road 101/Mayport Road from State Road A1A to the Wonderwood Connector as "USS Stark Memorial Drive"; directs the Chief of Legislative Services to send a copy of this resolution to the Duval Legislative Delegation, the Senate President and the Speaker of the House.

**Background Information:** the USS Stark was an Oliver Hazard Perry Class guided-missile frigate named for Admiral Harold Rainsford Stark (1880-1972). Commissioned in 1982, the vessel was home ported at Naval Station Mayport. The Stark was deployed to the Middle East Force in 1987. The war between and Iraq was underway. On May 17, 1987, the Stark was attacked in the Persian Gulf by an Iraqi Mirage F1 with two Exocet antiship missiles. 37 sailors were killed; 21 were injured. It is the only successful anti-ship missile attack on a U.S. Navy warship. On May 17, 2012, the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the missile attack, Naval Station Mayport will hold a memorial service to honor the men and women who gave their lives in the service to their country. Designating the thoroughfare that traverses the base is a part of the memorial.

**Policy Impact:** Naval Station Mayort

**Fiscal Impact:** Undetermined

**Analyst:** Jackson

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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2011-708

**Sponsor:** Council President at the request of the Mayor

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** R

**Date of Analysis:** November 3, 2011

**Type of Action:** Reappointment Confirmation

**Bill Summary:** This bill confirms the Mayor's reappointment of Philip Schatz as a member of the Jacksonville-Duval County Council on Elder Affairs, for a second two-year term ending June 30, 2013.

**Background Information:** The Jacksonville-Duval County Council on Elder Affairs is established pursuant to Chapter 82, *Jacksonville Municipal Code*, and charged to serve as an advocate, for the older persons in the city, to the governmental agencies responsible for the various plans and programs designed to help older persons; assist in the implementation of plans and programs selected by regional organizations, as they relate to the city and its citizens; and designate priorities among programs developed in the city by public, nonprofit and private providers concerning older persons. Section 82.101, *Jacksonville Municipal Code*, provides that five of the members of the Council on Elder Affairs shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council.

Mr. Schatz received a bachelor's degree from Syracuse University and is a retired computer programmer. He resides in the Southwood area within City Council District #6.

**Policy Impact Area:** Jacksonville-Duval County Council on Elder Affairs operations

**Fiscal Impact:** Anticipated to be minimal

**Analyst:** Welsh

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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2011-709

**Sponsor:** Council President at the request of the Mayor

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** R

**Date of Analysis:** November 3, 2011

**Type of Action:** Reappointment Confirmation

**Bill Summary:** This bill confirms the Mayor's reappointment of Lina S. Ingraham as a member of the Construction Trades Qualifying Board, as a private citizen representative, for a second three-year term ending September 30, 2014.

**Background Information:** The Construction Trades Qualifying Board is established pursuant to Chapter 62, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to administer Chapter 342; ensure that an applicant for any certificate meets the qualifications provided by law; provide for the preparation, administration and grading of examinations; decide questions of definition and interpretation of the scope of work of the various construction trades covered by Chapter 342; make recommendations to the Council for amendment to ordinances it is required to administer; and provide a continuous study of the different trades and crafts regulated by Chapter 342 and recommend the regulation of additional trades or crafts as may be determined to protect the public health, safety and welfare. Section 62.101, *Ordinance Code*, provides that each member of the board shall reside in Duval County and three of the members shall be citizens not associated with the construction industry.

Ms. Ingraham received a master's degree in education from Marshall University and is the President / Owner of *LSI, Inc.*, an educational writing and publishing firm. She resides in the Sans Pareil area within City Council District #3.

**Policy Impact Area:** Construction Trades Qualifying Board operations

**Fiscal Impact:** Anticipated to be minimal

**Analyst:** Welsh

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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2011-710

**Sponsor:** Council President at the request of the Mayor

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** R

**Date of Analysis:** November 3, 2011

**Type of Action:** Reappointment Confirmation

**Bill Summary:** This bill confirms the Mayor's reappointment of John D. Osborn, P.E. as a member of the Better Jacksonville Plan Project Administration Committee, as a citizen member, for a second five-year term ending March 31, 2016.

**Background Information:** The BJP Project Administration Committee is established pursuant to Chapter 761, Section 107, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to study The Better Jacksonville Plan projects with the goal of advising how to construct and complete such projects in the most efficient manner possible and to oversee execution of work of all such projects as each such project is ready to be designed, right-of-way acquired, permitted and constructed. Section 761.107(b), *Ordinance Code*, provides that two of the members of the committee shall be private citizens who are not affiliated with or employed by any business or occupation that would be involved in the implementation of The Better Jacksonville Plan projects.

Mr. Osborn received a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from Auburn University and is a Florida licensed Professional Engineer. He is a Senior Project Manager with *Aerostar Environmental Services, Inc.*, an environmental consulting firm and resides in the Lakewood area within Council District #5.

**Policy Impact Area:** The Better Jacksonville Plan Project Administration Committee operations

**Fiscal Impact:** Anticipated to be minimal

**Analyst:** Welsh

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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2011-711

**Sponsor:** Council President at the request of the Mayor

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** R

**Date of Analysis:** November 3, 2011

**Type of Action:** Reappointment Confirmation

**Bill Summary:** This bill confirms the Mayor's reappointment of Ernest McDuffie, III as a member of the Taxation, Revenue and Utilization of Expenditures (TRUE) Commission, for a first full three-year term ending June 30, 2014.

**Background Information:** The TRUE Commission is established pursuant to Chapter 57, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to act as an advisory body to the city concerning fiscal policy and may review any aspect of fiscal policy, including: The city's long-range financial soundness, planning budgeting, and management; The city's budgetary process, including taxation, revenue generation, expenditures, use of permit fees and user fees, bonding capacity, franchise fees, state and federal mandates, privatization, "zero based" financing and other similar topics; The appropriateness of each revenue source the city receives to make up its annual general revenue budget; Potential new revenue sources, such as impact fees, and the use of any such funds; The pre- and post-retirement benefit structure for city employees and the potential impact on the financial status of the city; Recommendations that will help make Jacksonville the most fairly-taxed and financially-sound city in the nation; Recommendations to keep the public better informed about important issues of city financing and budgeting which affect their lives; Other areas as the Commission may determine are appropriate and within their scope.

Mr. McDuffie owns *D & M Contracting Company* and is a certified roofing contractor, home inspector and general contractor. He has previously served on the JSEB Monitoring Committee. Mr. McDuffie resides in the Magnolia Gardens area within Council District #10.

**NOTE:** Because Mr. McDuffie's initial term was for less than 50% of a full term, per Section 50.104, *Ordinance Code*, that term is not considered a first full term and not counted toward the two consecutive terms limitation.

**Policy Impact Area:** Taxation, Revenue and Utilization of Expenditures Commission operations

**Fiscal Impact:** Anticipated to be minimal

**Analyst:** Welsh

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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2011-712

**Sponsor:** Council President at the request of the Mayor

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** R

**Date of Analysis:** November 3, 2011

**Type of Action:** Reappointment Confirmation

**Bill Summary:** This bill confirms the Mayor's reappointment of Virginia "Ginny" Steiger as a member of the Art in Public Places Committee, representing the Cultural Council, for a second three-year term ending December 31, 2014.

**Background Information:** The Art in Public Places Committee is established pursuant to Chapter 126, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to choose art which is compatible with and which will enhance the architecture and general environment of the City; responsible for receiving, reviewing and acting on the recommendations of the Art Selection Panels; seek to ensure that at least 15% of the artists selected for purchase or commission will be resident(s) in the Greater Jacksonville area (Duval, St. Johns, Nassau, Clay and Baker Counties); will also encourage the selection of regional artists e.g. Florida and the Southeastern United States. Section 126.903, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the members of the committee are appointed by the Mayor, with three of the members representing the Cultural Council Board.

Ms. Steiger received a bachelor's degree in community service and public affairs from the University of Oregon and is an active community volunteer. She resides in the Avondale area within Council District #14.

**Policy Impact Area:** Art in Public Places Committee operations

**Fiscal Impact:** Anticipated to be minimal

**Analyst:** Welsh



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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2011-714

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council President at the request of the Supervisor of Elections

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** R

**Date of Analysis:** November 10, 2011

**Type of Action:** Approving early voting sites

**Bill Summary:** The bill approves the Supervisor of Elections' selection of 11 early voting sites, dates and hours of operation for the 2012 Presidential Preference Primary election.

**Background Information:** Early voting hours for the Presidential preference primary will be 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday for 9 days – Saturday, January 21 through Sunday, January 28, 2012. The early voting sites will be as follows:

Supervisor of Elections Main Office  
105 East Monroe Street

Webb Wesconnett Regional Library  
6887 103<sup>rd</sup> Street

Beaches Regional Library  
600 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Neptune Beach

Regency Square Regional Library  
9900 Regency Square Boulevard

San Marco Library  
1513 LaSalle Street

Southeast Regional Library  
10599 Deerwood Park Boulevard

Highlands Regional Library  
1826 Dunn Avenue

South Mandarin Regional Library  
12125 San Jose Boulevard

Mandarin Regional Library  
3330 Kori Road

Pablo Creek South Regional Library  
13295 Beach Boulevard

West Regional Library  
1425 Chafee Road South

**Policy Impact Area:** Early voting dates and locations

**Fiscal Impact:** The

**Analyst:** Clements

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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2011-715

**Sponsor:** The Recreation, Community Development and Public Health and Safety Committee:

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** F; RCDPHS

**Date of Analysis:** November 11, 2011

**Type of Action:** Tax Exemption Approval

**Bill Summary:** This bill approves an ad valorem exemption for the rehabilitation of the Springfield Historic District contributing structure located at 1448 Liberty Street North (Council District 7), owned by Stephen V. Mannis; the exemption is for one hundred percent (100%) of the value of rehabilitation for a period of ten (10) years from January 1, 2012 to December 31, 20221.

**Background Information:** The property is a red brick, one story commercial building that was built in 1927 for George Abdullah which has housed many different businesses over the years. People who have lived in the neighborhood since childhood call the building the Candy Store. When refurbished, the structure will be utilized as a residence. The estimated cost of the entire improvement project is \$260,000. The Planning and Development Department has determined that the property qualifies as a contributing structure in the Springfield Historic District and that the improvement project is consistent with the *Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation*.

**Policy Impact:** Historic Preservation/Tax Exemptions

**Fiscal Impact:** The estimated maximum loss in ad valorem taxes in the first year of the exemption is \$2,609.18

**Analyst:** Jackson

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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2011-716

**Sponsor:** The Recreation, Community Development and Public Health and Safety Committee:

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** F; RCDPHS

**Date of Analysis:** November 11, 2011

**Type of Action:** Tax Exemption Approval

**Bill Summary:** This bill approves an ad valorem tax exemption for the rehabilitation of the Riverside/Avondale Historic District contributing structure located at 3665 Pine Street (Council District 14) owned by Courtney McEwan; the exemption is for one hundred percent (100%) of the value of rehabilitation for a period of ten (10) years from January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2021.

**Background Information:** This structure is a flat-roofed bungalow in the Riverside Heights section of Avondale. The structure was built in 1920 as a single-family home. When refurbished, its use will be as a primary residence – single family home. Estimated costs attributed solely to work on the historic building are \$110,120.50. The Planning and Development Department has determined that the property qualifies as a contributing structure in the Riverside/Avondale Historic District and that the improvement project is consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's *Standards for Rehabilitation*. .

**Policy Impact:** Historic Preservation/Tax Exemptions

**Fiscal Impact:** The estimated maximum loss in ad valorem taxes in the first year of the exemption is \$1, 105.09

**Analyst:** Jackson

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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2011-717

**Sponsor:** The Recreation, Community Development and Public Health and Safety Committee:

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** F; RCDPHS

**Date of Analysis:** November 11, 2011

**Type of Action:** Tax Exemption Approval

**Bill Summary:** This bill approves an ad valorem tax exemption for the rehabilitation of the Riverside/Avondale Historic District contributing structure located at 873-887 Stockton Street owned by 873 Stockton Street, LLC; the exemption is for one hundred percent (100%) of the value of rehabilitation for a period of ten (10) years from January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2021. The structure is located in Council District 9.

**Background Information:** The building is located in the Riverside Historic District. It is a two-story commercial building constructed in three phases during the 1920s. The estimated cost of the entire rehabilitation project is \$360,630.44. The refurbished structure will have mixed use: commercial and residential. The Planning and Development Department has determined that the property qualifies as a contributing structure in the Riverside Historic District and that the improvement work is consistent with the *Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation*.

**Policy Impact:** Historic Preservation/Tax Exemptions

**Fiscal Impact:** The estimated maximum loss in ad valorem taxes in the first year of the exemption is \$3,077.12.

**Analyst:** Jackson

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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2011-718

**Sponsor:** The Recreation, Community Development and Public Health and Safety Committee:

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** F; RCDPHS

**Date of Analysis:** November 11, 2011

**Type of Action:** Tax Exemption Approval

**Bill Summary:** This bill approves an ad valorem tax exemption for the rehabilitation of the Riverside/Avondale Historic District contributing structure located at 2525 College Street (Council District 14) owned by John Gorrie Investment Group, LLC. The exemption is for one hundred percent (100%) value of rehabilitation for a period of ten (10) years from January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2021.

**Background Information:** John Gorrie Junior High School was completed in 1923. It is a three story buff brick building. The rehabilitated structure will be used for private housing (condominiums). Estimated costs attributed solely on the rehabilitation project are \$10,977,055. The Planning and Development Department has determined that the property is a qualifying improvement project that is consistent with the *Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation*.

**Policy Impact:** The estimated maximum loss in ad valorem taxes in the first year of the exemption is \$110,158.04.

**Fiscal Impact:** Historic Preservation/Tax Exemptions

**Analyst:** Jackson

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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2011-719

**Sponsor:** The Council President at the request of the Jacksonville Economic Development Commission:

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** TEU; RCDPHS

**Date of Analysis:** November 11, 2011

**Type of Action:** Brownfield Designation

**Bill Summary:** This bill designates the property at 5441 West 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Jacksonville, Florida, 32254, as a Brownfield Area for environmental rehabilitation and economic development. The site is located in Council District 9.

**Background Information:** This parcel of land is owned by R.C.C.I. ("owner") and is under contract for sale. The prospective purchaser, the Bruss Company, a subsidiary of Tyson Foods, Inc., proposes to restore the property to its highest and best reuse by addressing the environmental impacts, if any, and redeveloping the property to expand its meat processing operations. The proposed expansion project (Bruss) would add 200 new, full-time jobs; Bruss would invest \$7,200,000 in new private capital to revitalize a vacant refrigerated warehouse building, substantial renovations and acquisition of machinery and equipment. The project would place back in service a vacant industrial building within an industrial area of Northwest Jacksonville. The City's Brownfields Program is active in the redevelopment and reuse of properties. Brownfields are defined as "real property", the expansion, redevelopment or reuse of which is complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. Designation as a Brownfield Area would enable the Bruss Company to take advantage of the Florida's Brownfield Redevelopment Bonus Tax Refund Program. The State would commit \$400,000 (80%) of tax refunds for jobs creation; the City match would be in the amount of \$100,000 (20%). The City's portion will be requested in the appropriate budget cycle.

**Policy Impact:** Economic Development/Brownfields/Jacksonville Economic Development Commission

**Fiscal Impact:** No fiscal impact in this resolution's designation; a City match in the Brownfield Redevelopment Bonus Tax Refund Program (in the amount of \$100,000) is forthcoming in subsequent legislation.

**Analyst:** Jackson

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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2011-720

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council Member Gaffney

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** RCDPHS

**Date of Analysis:** November 10, 2011

**Type of Action:** Endorsement of community contribution tax credit application

**Bill Summary:** The bill endorses an application by Panama Youth Services Inc. to participate in the state's Community Contribution Tax Credit program for donations to the rehabilitation of its facility at 402 63<sup>rd</sup> Street.

**Background Information:** Panama Youth Services is a 501(c)(3) corporation headquartered on East 63<sup>rd</sup> Street that provides emergency shelter, low income housing and residential treatment for youth in crisis. The agency plans to rehabilitate its existing building for residential and educational uses. The Community Contribution Tax Credit allows corporations making contributions of cash or goods to approved not-for-profit organizations to take a credit against their corporate income taxes for the amount of the donation. The Planning Department has certified that the proposed building renovation is consistent with the City's 2030 Comprehensive Plan.

**Policy Impact Area:** Emergency youth services

**Fiscal Impact:** None to City; the action will assist corporate donors to Panama Youth Services, Inc. in qualifying for state tax credits.

**Analyst:** Clements

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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2011-721

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council Member Brown

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** RCDPHS

**Date of Analysis:** November 10, 2011

**Type of Action:** Endorsement of community contribution tax credit application

**Bill Summary:** The bill endorses an application by The House of Refuge Ministries Inc. (THORMINC) to participate in the state's Community Contribution Tax Credit program for donations to the rehabilitation of its facility at 2820 Boulevard Street.

**Background Information:** THORMINC is a 501(c)(3) agency headquartered at 134 East Church Street that provides transitional housing and social services to ex-offenders being released from incarceration. The agency proposes to rehabilitate its existing residential facility at 2820 Boulevard Street to upgrade its condition. The Community Contribution Tax Credit allows corporations making contributions of cash or goods to approved not-for-profit organizations to take a credit against their corporate income taxes for the amount of the donation. The Planning Department has certified that the proposed building renovation is consistent with the City's 2030 Comprehensive Plan.

**Policy Impact Area:** Services for ex-offenders

**Fiscal Impact:** None to City; the action will assist corporate donors to The House of Refuge Ministries, Inc. in qualifying for state tax credits.

**Analyst:** Clements



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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2011-723

**Sponsor:** Council President Joost

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** R

**Date of Analysis:** November 7, 2011

**Type of Action:** Appointment

**Bill Summary:** This bill appoints Roshanda M. Jackson to the Jacksonville Housing and Community Development Commission (JHCDC), replacing Barbara Harrell as an advocate for low-income persons, for a first four-year term ending November 30, 2015.

**Background Information:** The JHCDC is established pursuant to Chapter 55, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to provide oversight and guidance to the Housing Services Division; make recommendations on all agreements entered into by the Housing Services Division and the Community Development Division through the Housing and Neighborhoods Department for and on behalf of the City; conduct any required public hearings, undertake the review, take any and all required actions for compliance, and make recommendations to the Council for adoption (and authorize the transmittal) as required by section 420.9076, Florida Statutes; and conduct any required public hearings, undertake the review, take any and all required actions for compliance, and recommend to the Council for adoption (and authorize the transmittal) a "Consolidated Plan" as required by 24 CFR Part 91. Section 55.203, *Ordinance Code*, provides that five of the members of the Commission shall be appointed by the Council.

Ms. Jackson is a Program Director at *Northside Community Involvement, Inc.*, a non-profit agency. She is an active community volunteer and resides in Council District #8.

**Policy Impact Area:** Jacksonville Housing and Community Development Commission operations

**Fiscal Impact:** Anticipated to be minimal

**Analyst:** Welsh

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2011-724

**Sponsor:** Council Member Clark:

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** F

**Date of Analysis:** November 11, 2011

**Type of Action:** Special District Establishment

**Bill Summary:** This ordinance regards the establishment of the Isle of Palms Special District in accordance with Section 189.4041, Florida Statutes; adopts a charter for the "Isle of Palms Special District" for the limited purpose of maintaining the system of canals located within the Isle of Palms community; establishes a five member Board of Supervisors to be originally appointed by the City Council with all five initial terms expiring on November 20, 2012, and all five supervisors being elected by the qualified electors of the district beginning with the 2012 general election; provides a legal description of the boundaries of the district; provides that the Board of Supervisors shall have the authority to impose a non-ad valorem assessment in an amount up to \$1,000 annually for each residential unit within the district; provides that the Board of Supervisors shall have the authority to appropriate funds for the limited purpose of maintaining the canal system.

**Background Information:** Florida Statutes provide that the City Council may create dependent special districts for the purpose of delivering essential services to specific areas within the City. The system of canals located within the Isle of Palms community, located in Council District 3, require continuous maintenance in order to remain navigable and sanitary. The City is unable to provide the human and financial resources required to properly maintain this system of canals. A dependent special district financed by the property owners who benefit from properly maintained canals is an appropriate, efficient and effective vehicle to insure that the canals are properly maintained. This legislation creates the Isle of Palms Special District to insure that the canals are properly maintained.

**Policy Impact:** Special Districts

**Fiscal Impact:** Undetermined

**Analyst:** Jackson

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2011-725

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council President at the request of the Supervisor of Elections

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** R

**Date of Analysis:** November 10, 2011

**Type of Action:** Approving revisions to voting precinct boundaries and changing polling places

**Bill Summary:** The bill approves the consolidation of 5 pairs of voting precincts and a change in polling places for 2 precincts effective immediately, at the request of the Supervisor of Elections.

**Background Information:** The precincts to be consolidated are as follows:

<u>Current precincts</u>	<u>New precinct</u>	<u>Polling place</u>
2K and 2F	2K	2K Christ the King Catholic School, 6822 Larkin Road
5N and 5R	5R	5R Community Hospice of NE Florida, 4266 Sunbeam Road
7Y and 7N	7N	7N Central Church of the Nazarene, 2130 University Blvd.
9G and 9O	9O	9O Park Lane Baptist Church, 1480 Lake Shore Blvd.
11L and 11W	11W	11W USO Center of Jacksonville, 2560 Mayport Road

The changed polling places are as follows:

<u>Precinct</u>	<u>Current polling place</u>	<u>New polling place</u>
9X	Henry Jones Community Center 3856 Grant Road	Southside Church of God in Christ 2179 Emerson Street
4M	Prince of Peace Catholic Church 6320 Bedford Road	Terry Road Baptist Church 6625 Terry Road

**Policy Impact Area:** Electoral precincts and polling places

**Fiscal Impact:**

**Analyst:** Clements

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2011-726

**Sponsor:** Council President at the request of the Mayor

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** R

**Date of Analysis:** November 10, 2011

**Type of Action:** Confirmation of Acting Officials; Ordinance Code Waiver; Emergency Passage

**Bill Summary:** This bill confirms as "acting" various appointed officials within the Mayor's administration. Section 20.103(b), *Ordinance Code*, regarding the sixty day limitation for a position to have an "acting" chief or director, is waived for an unspecified time period. Emergency passage is requested.

**Background Information:** The following individuals are confirmed as "acting":

**Scott E. Trebatoski – Acting Director of Environmental and Compliance**

Section 35.101(b), *Ordinance Code*, provides that the Director shall have a bachelor's degree or higher and at least five years of management experience in the solid waste industry, environmental regulation or in government. Ms. Trebatoski received a master's degree from the University of Wisconsin in management/human resources. He has been employed with the City of Jacksonville since 2008 when he was appointed Chief of Animal Care and Control. Mr. Trebatoski was previously employed as the Director of Animal Services for Lee County from 2001 to 2007.

**Howard M. Maltz – Acting Risk Manager**

Section 24.402, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the Risk Manager shall have a bachelor's degree or higher in business, insurance, and/or risk management or a law degree and at least five years experience in insurance and risk management activities, including workers compensation, automobile and general liability matters at the professional level. Mr. Maltz received a law degree from the University of Miami. He has been employed within the Office of the General Counsel since 1997, working his way up from Assistant General Counsel to Deputy General Counsel, a position he has held since 2003.

NOTE: As a Deputy General Counsel, Mr. Maltz's current salary exceeds the top of the range for the Risk Manager.

**Mary W. Jarrett – Acting General Counsel**

Section 25.102, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the General Counsel shall be an attorney licensed to practice law in the State of Florida and have at least five years experience in the practice of law. Ms. Jarrett received a law degree from the University of Florida. She has been employed within the Office of the General Counsel since 2007 and serves as a Senior Assistant General Counsel, a position she has held since 2010. Prior to her employment with the City of Jacksonville, Ms. Jarrett was a Shareholder and Assistant Vice President with *Coffman, Coleman, Andrews & Grogan, P.A.* from 1980 to 2004.

NOTE: As the Mayor has announced that Ms. Laquidara will continue as General Counsel, Exhibit 1 may need to be amended to remove the confirmation of Ms. Jarrett as the Acting General Counsel.

**Larcree C. Carswell – Acting Director of Housing and Neighborhoods**

Section 55.102, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the Director shall have a bachelor's degree or higher and at least five years of experience in an administrative or executive position. Ms. Carswell received a bachelor's degree from the University of Florida in food and resource economics. She has been employed with the City of Jacksonville since 1989, working her way up from Planning Technician to Human Services Planner Senior, a position she held until her appointment as Chief of Community Development in 2009.

**Eric R. Nagel – Acting Director of Information Technology/Chief Information Officer**

Section 34.102, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the Director shall have a bachelor's degree and five or more years of progressively responsible related experience in information technology, systems, strategic planning and project management or any equivalent combination of education, experience and training that provides the required knowledge, skills and abilities. Mr. Nagel received a master's degree in communications from the University of Pittsburgh. He has been employed with the City of Jacksonville since 2008 as an Assistant Information Technologies Officer III. Prior to his employment with the City of Jacksonville, Mr. Nagel was employed with *Fidelity National Information Services, Inc.* from 1995 to 2008.

**B. Marlene Russell – Acting Director of Central Operations**

Section 23.101, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the Director shall have a bachelor's degree or higher and at least five years of experience in an administrative or executive position with a business, corporation, or governmental body or have a law degree or other commensurate training and experience. Ms. Russell received a bachelor's degree in business management from the University of Phoenix. She was employed with the City of Jacksonville in 1998 as Assistant Management Improvement Officer, a position she held until her appointment as Chief of Administrative Services in 2007.

**Gregory W. Pease – Acting Chief of Procurement**

Section 23.302, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the Chief shall have a bachelor's degree or higher and at least five years of experience in an administrative or executive position as purchasing agent for a business, corporation, governmental body or have a law degree or other commensurate training and experience. Mr. Pease received a bachelor's degree in criminology from the University of North Florida. He has been employed with the City of Jacksonville since 2000, working his way up from Administrative Assistant Senior in Public Works to Operations Manager in Administrative Services, a position he has held since 2008.

**Crisencio F. Tongol – Acting Chief of Fleet Management**

Section 23.502, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the Chief shall have a bachelor's degree or higher or other commensurate training and experience and at least five years experience in an administrative or executive position in the management, maintenance, and repair of motor vehicles, equipment, or similar operations. Mr. Tongol received a master's degree in business administration from the University of West Florida. He has been employed within the Fleet Management Division, since 2000, working his way up from Inventory Control & Financial Administrator to Fleet Management Administrator, a position he has held since 2010.

**Jarik E. Conrad, EdD, SPHR, MBA, MILR – Acting Chief of Human Resources**

Section 23.702, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the Chief shall have a bachelor's degree or higher and at least five years full time experience in an administrative or executive position in human resources management. Mr. Conrad received a doctorate of education from the University of North Florida. He has been serving as the Interim Chief of Human Resources since August and is the President of *The Conrad Consulting Group, LLC*, a management consulting firm.

**James R. Schock, PE, CBO – Acting Chief of Building Inspection**

Section 30.602, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the Chief shall be a Florida registered Professional Engineer and shall have had at least ten years of experience or the equivalent as an architect, engineer, inspector, contractor or superintendent of construction, or any combination of these, five years of which shall have been in responsible charge of work. Mr. Schock received a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from Drexel University and is a Florida licensed Professional Engineer, Building Code Administrator, Standard Inspector, and Standard Plans Examiner. He has been employed with the City of Jacksonville since 1996 and currently serves as a Building Inspections Manager.

**George M. Sands – Acting Director of Planning and Development**

Section 30.101(a), *Ordinance Code*, provides that the Director shall have a master's degree in public administration, urban planning or a related field or shall have ten years professional and administrative experience in a managerial capacity, at least five of which shall be in an urban planning agency or organization. Mr. Sands received an associate's degree in civil engineering from Lake City Community College. He has been employed with City government since 1988, in various public works and utilities functions, serving as the Director Construction Management Water & Sewer for JEA (1997-1999) and was appointed as the Chief of Development Services, his current position, in 2007.

**Jeffrey W. Beck, PE – Acting Director of Public Works**

Section 32.102, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the Director shall a Florida registered Professional Engineer and have at least five of experience in industrial or municipal public works. Mr. Beck received a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from West Virginia University and is a Florida registered Professional Engineer. He has been employed with the City of Jacksonville since 1986, serving in various appointed positions, including City Highway Engineer (2002-2007), Chief of Right-of-Way Grounds Maintenance (2007-2009) and Deputy Director of Public Works (2009-2011).

**Mary H. Holley – Acting Chief of Adult Services**

Section 28.602, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the Chief shall have a bachelor's degree or higher in psychology, sociology or a related field and at least five years of experience in the social services or related field. Ms. Holley received a bachelor's degree from the University of Cincinnati. She has been employed with the City of Jacksonville since 1989 and currently serves as an Adult Services Manager. She served as the Chief of Victim Services from 1996 to 2003.

**Kelley J. Boree – Acting Director of Recreation and Community Services**

Section 28.102, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the Director shall have a bachelor's degree or higher and at least five years of progressively responsible experience in a management or executive position. Ms. Boree received a bachelor's degree in business administration from William Woods College and has been employed with the City of Jacksonville since 2003. She served as the Preservation Project Chief in 2006, until her appointment as Deputy Director of the Parks, Recreation, Entertainment & Conservation Department (now known as Recreation and Community Services), a position she has held since 2006.

**Harrison E. Conyers – Acting Chief of Military Affairs, Veterans and Disabled Services**

Section 28.502, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the Chief shall have a bachelor's degree or higher and at least five years of administrative experience in at least one of the areas of responsibility. Mr. Conyers received a bachelor's degree in history from Stetson University. He has been employed with the City of Jacksonville since 1996, serving in various departments, and currently serves as a Veterans Services Manager.

**Policy Impact Area:** City Administration Operations

**Fiscal Impact:** Undetermined

**Analyst:** Welsh

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2011-727

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council Members Boyer and Love

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** LUZ

**Date of Analysis:** November 10, 2011

**Type of Action:** The bill amends Ordinance Code Chapter 250 - - and Chapter 656 – Zoning Code – to amend the regulations relating to location and operation of sidewalk cafés

**Bill Summary:** The bill amends Ordinance Code Chapter 250 – Miscellaneous Business Regulations – to change the name of the “Bay Street Town Center Entertainment Zone” to “E-Town (Entertainment Town) Zone”. The bill also amends Chapter 250 to remove the requirement that sidewalk cafes, restaurants or bars may only have tables *immediately* adjacent to the building and creates a definition of *adjacent* that permits the tables to anywhere on the sidewalk between the building frontage and the street curb, provided that a clear pedestrian passageway is provided through the tables. If two adjoining establishments both have sidewalk tables, the pedestrian passageways must align to provide a clear pedestrian along the sidewalk. Another amendment provides that if a sidewalk café is located on a street where the speed limit exceeds 35 miles per hour, the tables must be set back from the curb by at least 3 feet unless a physical barrier at least 3 feet in height and approved by the Planning and Development and Public Works Departments is provided between the sidewalk seating and the curb. The amendment adds two new locations to the list of areas where sidewalk cafes are permitted: the San Marco Boulevard shopping district along San Marco Boulevard between Nira Street/Children’s Way and Laverne Street and the Stockton Street shopping district along Stockton Street between College Street and Myra Street.

The bill amends Ordinance Code Chapter 656 – Zoning Code – to clarify that outdoor sales and service of alcoholic beverages is permitted either on the private property of the vendor or on public property between the building and the edge of the street directly in front of the licenses premises, provided the area in which alcoholic beverages is served is surrounded by a permanent railing or other barrier at least three and a half feet high which may have two openings at least four feet wide.

**Background Information:** The amendments are intended to eliminate a conflict in existing regulations and to clarify the definition of “immediately adjacent” with regard to the allowable locations for tables in a sidewalk café setting so as to permit tables to be located on the street side of the sidewalk rather than immediately along the building frontage if sidewalk conditions permit. The Florida Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco interprets “adjacent” for its licensing purposes to be whatever is allowable by local ordinance or regulation which an establishment shows on a site plan submitted for the purpose of establishing its licensed premises.

**Policy Impact Area:** Sidewalk café, restaurant and bar regulation

**Fiscal Impact:** None

**Analyst:** Clements

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2011-728

**Sponsor:** The Council President at the request of the Jacksonville Economic Development Commission:

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** F; RCDPHS

**Date of Analysis:** November 11, 2011

**Type of Action:** Redevelopment Development Agreement Approval

**Bill Summary:** This ordinance authorizes and approves a Redevelopment Agreement between the City of Jacksonville, the Jacksonville Economic Development Commission and the Bruss Company ("company"), to support the expansion of the company's meat processing operations to Jacksonville; recommends that the company be approved by the State of Florida's Department of Economic Opportunity for a Brownfield Redevelopment Bonus pursuant to Section 288.107, Florida Statutes; evidences a commitment of City support in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 as the local financial support under the Brownfield Redevelopment Bonus Refund Program payable over multiple years per guidelines of the State Department of Economic Opportunity, with a State match of \$400,000, for a total City and State refund amount of \$500,000 for 200 jobs; payment of a Northwest Jacksonville Large Scale Economic Development Grant of \$400,000 as initiated by B.T. 12-020; provides for a carryover of funds from year to year until such funds are expended or lapse according to the agreement.

**Background Information:** The Bruss Company is a subsidiary of Tyson Foods, Inc. The Bruss Company was founded in 1937; it became a Tyson subsidiary in 2001. Bruss proposes to expand its meat processing operations by investing approximately \$7,200,000 in new private capital to purchase and revitalize a vacant refrigerated warehouse building at 5441 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Street. 200 new, full-time jobs with an average wage of \$31,000, plus benefits. JEDC recommends that the proposed site (5441 W. 5<sup>th</sup> St) be designated a Brownfield area in order to take advantage of the Brownfield Redevelopment Bonus Tax Refund Program to encourage job growth in Northwest Jacksonville (where unemployment hovers at 22%). JEDC recommends a Northwest Jacksonville Large Scale Economic Development Grant totaling \$400,000. The State of Florida has agreed to support the Brownfield site designation and provide its \$400,000 (80%) portion of the job creation tax refunds at \$2,500 per job which will generate tax refunds for job creation up to \$500,000; the City's portion is \$100,000 (20%). The State of Florida has also allocated up to \$300,000 in Quick Response Training Grant funds to train the proposed employees to operate and maintain the proposed meat processing facility.

**Policy Impact:** Economic Development/Brownfields/Jacksonville Economic Development Commission

**Fiscal Impact:** The City commits a total of \$500,000; the State of Florida commits \$700,000

**Analyst:** Jackson



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2011-729

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council President at the request of the General Counsel

**Date of Introduction:** November 2, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** F

**Date of Analysis:** November 8, 2011

**Type of Action:** Approval of legal settlement

**Bill Summary:** The bill approves a legal settlement in a lawsuit filed by the City of Jacksonville against travel booking web sites for failure to collect and remit certain funds believed due and owing to the City for accommodations booked through web sites. In exchange for the release of all remaining claims, the net payment to the City will be \$206,770.00. The bill authorizes the Mayor and General Counsel to execute appropriate documents to effectuate the settlement.

**Background Information:** The City originally sued online travel companies for an alleged failure to collect and remit funds believed due and owing to the City for hotel rooms booked through the travel web sites. The use of outside counsel was authorized by Ordinance 2006-828-E to pursue the City's interests in the case. Previously, the City joined with Monroe County and other Florida counties in 2010 and reached a settlement for a portion of the City's claims. The previous settlement was authorized pursuant to Ordinance 2011-153-E. This bill authorizes the Mayor and the General Counsel to execute and settle for the remaining claims that were not addressed in the previous settlement

**Policy Impact Area:** Legal settlement

**Fiscal Impact:** The settlement will produce \$206,770.00 for the City.

**Analyst:** Clements

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2011-730

**Introducer/Sponsor:** Council President at the Request of the Mayor

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** R; F; RCDPHS

**Date of Analysis:** November 10, 2011

**Type of Action:** Approval of License Agreements; Code Waiver

**Bill Summary:** This bill approves license agreements with the Police Athletic League of Jacksonville, Inc. (PAL) for use of Mallison Park and Community Center and for use of Flossie Brunson Park and Eastside Community Center. Authorization is given for the Mayor, or designee, and Corporation Secretary to execute the agreements. Section 126.202, Ordinance Code, is waived to allow PAL to continue offering programs for youth at these locations without the necessity of a competitive sealed bid. It is required that the Department of Recreation and Community Services oversee the projects.

**Background Information:** The ordinance states that PAL has been providing programs at Mallison Park and Community Center (located at 441 Day Avenue) since 2004, and at Flossie Brunson Park and Eastside Community Center (located at 1050 Franklin Street) since 2005, and that PAL has invested significant amounts of money in the renovation and expansion of the community center at Flossie Brunson. The license agreements are for fifteen-year terms, with three five-year renewal options, at \$1 per year. The Mallison Park and Community Center agreement is made retroactive to July 16, 2011, and the Flossie Brunson Park and Eastside Community Center agreement is made retroactive to February 11, 2010.

**Policy Impact Area:** Recreation and Parks; Programs for Youth

**Fiscal Impact:** Undetermined; the license agreements are entered into at \$1 per year each

**Analyst:** Campbell

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2011-731

**Introducer/Sponsor:** Council Member Jones

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** F; RCDPHS

**Date of Analysis:** November 10, 2011

**Type of Action:** Agreement Authorization

**Bill Summary:** This bill authorizes the Mayor, or designee, and Corporation Secretary to execute an agreement with the North Riverside Community Development Corporation for joint use of the North Riverside Community Center.

**Background Information:** The community center is located at 2711 Edison Avenue and 430 Crystal Street. The agreement has a fifteen-year term, with provision for three five-year renewal options, and it incorporates a declaration of covenants and restrictions to be recorded so that the use can run with the land.

**Policy Impact Area:** Joint Use Agreements; Community Centers

**Fiscal Impact:** Undetermined

**Analyst:** Campbell

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2011-732

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council President at the request of the Mayor

**Date of Introduction:** November 8, 2011

**Committee(s) of Reference:** F,

**Date of Analysis:** November 10, 2011

**Type of Action:** Ordinance Code amendments; appropriation; authorization to General Counsel and Council Auditor to make technical amendments to documents

**Bill Summary:** The bill amends numerous chapters of the Ordinance Code to enact the Mayor's administrative reorganization of the City government. The bill also re-appropriates \$310,250,154 to reallocate funds in the FY11-12 budget to the reorganized City departments. It authorizes the Office of General Counsel and Council Auditor's Office to make technical amendments to documents for purposes of effectuating the reorganization, provided the changes have no fiscal impact and are purely technical in nature.

**Background Information:** The reorganization proposal groups departments under 5 commissioners and the Mayor's Chief of Staff. The Chief of Staff would oversee the advisory boards and commissions, mayor's executive staff, intergovernmental affairs and public affairs and information. The Education Commissioner would be responsible for advocacy on behalf of educational issues and for working with the School Board and Superintendent and other education-related groups and entities to advance the state of public education in the community. The existing Military Affairs, Veterans and Disabled Services Division would be designated as the sole department within the Military Affairs, Veterans and Disabled Services Commission and the Chief of that division retitled as a department director and also known as the Military Affairs, Veterans and Disabled Services Commissioner. The Mayor's Chief Administrative Officer would serve as the commissioner of the Services Commission which would incorporate the Public Works, Recreation and Parks, Neighborhoods, Fire and Rescue, Special Services (health and human services), Employee Services (human resources, employee benefits) and Intra-governmental Services (information technology, fleet management, procurement, administrative services) Departments. An Economic Development Commissioner would oversee and Economic Development Commission incorporating most of the functions now contained under the JEDC umbrella, the Planning and Development Department, building inspection and permitting, parking facilities and enforcement, the equal business opportunity office, a new office for public/private partnerships and responsibility for liaison with the JAXUSA Partnership. The Chief Financial Officer would serve as commissioner of the Finance Services Commission which would incorporate accounting, treasury, budget and risk management divisions

**Policy Impact Area:** Governmental reorganization

**Fiscal Impact:** Undetermined

**Analyst:** Clements